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Statement on the Death of Representative A. Donald McEachin

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Jill and I are saddened by the death of Congressman Don McEachin of Virginia, following a battle with cancer. We send our deepest condolences to Don's wife Colette and their three children.

I got to know Don after he was elected to Congress in 2016. I will always be grateful for his friendship, and his early and fierce support when I ran for President. Don was a fighter. He fought for justice, for civil rights, and for communities that are often left behind. Thanks to Don's leadership and tireless advocacy, we passed historic legislation to combat the climate crisis and advance environmental justice.

The son of a schoolteacher and an Army veteran, public service was in Don's DNA. After practicing law, he served honorably in both chambers of Virginia's General Assembly, before winning election to the United States Congress. Through it all, Don always fought for the working people of Virginia. He never quit in his pursuit of justice.

May God bless Don McEachin, Colette, and the entire McEachin family.

NOTE: The statement referred to Mac, Briana, and Alexandra McEachin, children of Rep. McEachin.

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